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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, HU, SW

SUBJ: HUNGARIAN COMMENT TO SWEDES RE SAKHAROV AWARD

REF: BUDAPEST 3590

1. SWEDISH DIPLOMAT INFORMED EMBASSY THAT DURING RECENT VISIT OF FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSSON (SEE REFTTEL, FONMIN PUJA COMPLAINED ABOUT AWARD OF NOBEL PEACE PRIZE TO ANDREI SAKHAROV. PUJA TERMED AWARD "STUPID MOVE WHICH WILL PLAY INTO HANDS OF ENEMIES OF DETENTE". PUJA WAS ALLEGEDLY UNDER IMPRESSION THAT SWEDISH ACADEMY HAD MADE AWARD.

2. ANDERSSON QUICKLY TOLD PUJA THAT AWARD WAS NORWEGIAN RESPONSIBILITY AND GOH SHOULD TAKE ITS COMPLAINT UP WITH OSLO.

3. NORWEGIAN DIPLOMAT WHO WAS PRESENT DURING ANDERSSON'S PRESS CONFERENCE REPORTED THAT SWEDISH FONMIN WAS ASKED ABOUT NOBEL PRIZE FOR SAKHAROV. ANDERSSON REPORTEDLY AGREED WITH HUNGARIAN REPORTER'S CONTENTION THAT AWARD HAD BEEN MISTAKE AND JOKINGLY ADDED THAT SAKHAROV SHOULD BE MORE HONORED FOR HIS
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CONTRIBUTION TO THE ART OF WAR THAN FOR HIS

CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE.

4. NORWEGIANS WERE UPSET WITH ANDERSSON'S CRITICISM
OVER SAKHAROV AWARD AND WHAT THEY DESCRIBED AS
SWEDEN'S EFFORTS TO CURRY FAVOR WITH HUNGARIANS BY
SUBSCRIBING TO EAST EUROPEAN FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES.
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